

Yenetta Harper, Director

James Wagner, Chair

Ohio Educator Standards Board
Minutes of the Business Meeting
May 7, 2021
Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

Board Members Attending:

Monica Asher
Melissa Askren-Edgehouse
Kristine Blind
Eve Bolton
Jeffrey Brown
Larry Carey
Cassandra Daniels
Shvonne Davis
Rachel Dingess
Joseph Friess
Tracy Huziak-Clark
Melissa Kendralla
Julie Lather
Cynthia Lombardo
Debra McDonald
Sandra Orth
Venezuela Robinson
Nicholas Shay
Heather Stambaugh
James Wagner

Board Members Absent:

Kelly Bell

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Senator Andrew Brenner, Senate Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Chair, Ohio Senate
Carolyn Everidge-Frey representing Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria, from the Ohio Department of Education
Krista Maxson representing Chancellor Randy Gardner, from the Ohio Department of Higher Education

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Senator Teresa Fedor, Senate Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Ranking Minority Member, Ohio Senate
Representative Gayle Manning, House of Representatives Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Chair Ohio House of Representatives
Representative Phillip M. Robinson Jr., House of Representatives Primary and Secondary Education Committee, Ranking Minority Member, Ohio House of Representatives

Krista Maxson representing Chancellor Randy Gardner, from the Ohio Department of Higher Education

Ohio Department of Education staff attending:

Dee Anny Chickerella

Shawna Gibson

Jill Grubb

Yenetta Harper

Kathleen Herrmann

Tom McGee

Lori Parker

Eric Petro

John Soloninka

Jason Williams

General session

I. Call to Order: Mr. Wagner called the business meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

II. Roll Call: Ms. Gibson read the roll call.

III. Introductions: Senator Andrew Brenner was introduced to speak. Senator Brenner is the Chair of the Senate Primary and Secondary Education Committee and has been an elected member of the Ohio General Assembly since 2011. Senator Brenner gave an update on current and upcoming education legislation. After his presentation, Senator Brenner responded to several questions from Board members.

IV. Approval of the Agenda: Mr. Wagner requested a motion to accept the May 7, 2021 agenda as distributed. Ms. Lather made the motion to accept the agenda and Ms. Robinson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All members present were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed. Mr. Wagner requested consensus by the body of the members of the board to approve a late request for public comment. All members present were in favor, none opposed.

Public Comment: Jeff Wenseng, Ohio Education Association (OEA) Vice Present, noted that OEA has adopted a fourth strategic priority to educate and organize OEA and its members to advocate for racial, social and economic justice; and he expressed OAE's approval of the efforts of the Board and the Department to host diversity and equity labs for districts for the purpose of attracting and retaining more educators of color.

V. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Wagner requested a motion to approve the March 12, 2021 minutes. Mr. Brown made the motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Carey seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All members present were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

VI. Report from the Chair: There was no report from the chair.

VII. Report from the Ohio Department of Education: Ms. Everidge-Frey presented the report for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Mr. Paolo DeMaria.

- The Department is focusing on the schools, wrapping up the school year and trying to get ready for the next school year and what it will look like. Trying to support districts as they make decisions on how much remote learning they will use.
- From the lame duck legislation, the Center for the Teaching Profession has a dyslexia committee that is going to be meeting for the first time on May 25th. Some of the stakeholder associations within the state nominated participants on that committee. They have a lot of charges they will be working on to support the schools.

VIII. Report from the State Board of Education: Ms. Everidge-Frey presented the report for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Mr. Paolo DeMaria.

- At the April state board, we did a quick introduction and background on the Ohio Principal Evaluation System and the standards-based framework for the evaluation of principals. That discussion will continue at our May committee meeting and hopeful we will get a vote. If not, we think we have time to get it through by July.
- Discussed four administrative rules that came out of the ESB. The 12-hour and 40-hour temporary teaching permit, the professional or associate license renewal, senior professional license and the professional license. Hoping that those will come out of committee at May and go on to full board in June.
- At the May full board, your Educator Standards Board appointments are up for a vote.
- Our committee will be introducing the revised educator licensure exam for audiology that came from the ESB.
- We will give a background to the committee on the third-grade reading guarantee promotion score, because that will be coming up again soon.

IX. Report from the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE): Ms. Maxson presented the report.

- The revised code rule 5 that governs the review of educator preparation programs is up for review this year and we hope to have an open hearing this fall. We will be working on that this summer.
- The ODHE staff will facilitate the higher education work of the diversifying the education profession advisory council. Our first goal is creating an inventory of all the initiatives that are currently happening in the state.
- The director for the Educator Preparation position has been posted for two weeks. The position has been vacant since January 2020.
- In support of FASA 21, the governor's emergency relief fund has awarded 24 recipients to provide direct support to students for completing their FASA this year. Those awards have gone to educational service centers, college access groups, colleges and universities to offer free line by line professional development in completing the FASA.

X. Report from the Office of Educator Effectiveness: Ms. Harper presented the report:

- The 3rd Annual Ohio Teacher Leadership Summit is taking place June 9th virtually. All of the workshop presenters are Ohio Teacher Leaders. The registration is live on the website and it is free.

XI. Committee Reports:

Licensure Committee: The report was presented by Mr. Friess, chair of the committee.

- Discussed the student teacher permit. Looking at something like this due to the temporary ability this year to allow student teachers to serve as substitute teachers during and after their student teaching experience because of COVID. This authorization will expire June 30. Looking at a permit that would allow student teachers in certain situations to substitute teach. Because they will have to go through the background check process to obtain the permit when they do graduate in spring, they will be in a position that will expedite their license application. We will receive the language on that in the future.

Standards Committee: The report was presented by Ms. Daniels.

- The Standards Committee reviewed the ESB survey. Expect the survey by the end of the day Monday. The committee also discussed the letter of support for the State Board of Education's Resolution to Condemn Racism and to Advance Equity and Opportunity for Black Students, Indigenous Students and Students of Color. We will bring the committee's recommendation and statement for support forward to the entire board next month.

XII. Discussion items:

- There were no discussion items.

XIII. Action items:

- OPES to adopt the proposed Revised Standards-Based State Framework for the evaluation of Principals resolution. We need to vote on the resolution again because of the wording change. Mr. Wagner asked for a motion to approve the word change. Ms. Kendralla moved to accept the change in the OPES resolution as written. Mr. Friess second the motion. There was no discussion. Ms. Gibson called the role. All members present were in favor. None were opposed. The motion passed.

XIV. Old business: There was no old business.

XV. New business:

- Please relay any ideas you may have for the June retreat meeting. The June meeting will be a one-day meeting virtually.

XVI. Announcements:

- Mr. Wagner noted that the next ESB meeting will be June 11, 2021.
- Mr. Wagner acknowledged all the teachers and their hard work during teacher appreciation week.

XVII. Adjournment: Mr. Wagner called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Robinson made the motion for adjournment, and Ms. Kendralla seconded the motion. All members were in favor, none opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.